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UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Re:

Application of:

RAHKOMAA, Jouni et al.

Serial No.:

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For:

EQUIPMENT AND METHOD IN A PAPER OR

BOARD MACHINE FOR MIXING OF FRESH STOCK AND OF WATER FOR DILUTION OF

FRESH STOCK

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Commissioner for Patents P. O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

October 6, 2003

Dear Sir:

Pursuant to M.P.E.P. §609 and 37 C.F.R. §§1.56, 1.97-1.99, applicant submits herewith an information disclosure citation which lists references of which the applicant is aware. A copy of each of the references is also submitted herewith.

I hereby certify that this correspondence and/or fee is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as "first class mail" in an envelope addressed to: "Commissioner for Patents, P. O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450" on October 6, 2003.

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An English translation of FI 56221 is not available at this time. It is respectfully submitted that the relevance of this reference can be readily understood by referring to the drawings of the patent provided.

An English translation of FI 100168 is not available at this time. It is respectfully submitted that the relevance of this reference can be readily understood by referring to the drawings of the patent provided.

This submission does not represent that a search has been made or that no better art exists. While the term "references" is used in citing the publications called to the examiner's attention herein, applicants do not make any admission that each or all of them are "prior art" references within the meaning of the statutory and case law.

Applicant reserves the right to contend, where appropriate, that a reference asserted against any claim of the present application is not prior art under the facts and the law.

Applicant also reserves the right to present appropriate arguments and/or evidence to establish patentability over the references, should one or more of the references be applied against the claims of the present application.

Applicant respectfully requests that the examiner independently determine those items which the examiner would consider the most pertinent of all the references cited herein.

Applicant respectfully requests that the references be considered and made of record.

Applicant submits that pursuant to Section 37 C.F.R. §1.97(e), each item of information

contained in the information disclosure statement was first cited in any communication from a foreign

patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of the

information disclosure statement.

It is believed that a fee is not required with this communication. However, in the event

that a fee is required, the Director is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency or credit any

overpayment to Deposit Account No. 500518.

Respectfully submitted,

By:

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3 References

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